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Information Disclosure Statement

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Sir:

In compliance with the Applicant's duty under 37 CFR 1.97-98, the following information is brought to the attention of the Examiner. The items are listed on the attached electronic Form PTO/SB/08A and copies of all non-patent literature are enclosed. The Applicant respectfully requests that the documents be made of record in the above-referenced application.

The items identified in this Information Disclosure Statement were previously brought forth and considered by the examiner in three parent applications, U.S. Patent Appl. No. 10/075,086 filed on February 10, 2002, U.S. Patent Appl. No. 10/074,174 filed on February 10, 2002, and 09/897,263 now U.S. Patent No. 6,901,071, issued on May 31, 2005.

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The attached IDS is being filed in accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98. This IDS is believed to be timely in that it is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(3), that is before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Thus, no petition or fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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